

REMARKS

This is in response to the Office Action that was mailed on December 23, 2005. Claim 1 is amended based upon the recitations of former claim 4, and claim 4 is cancelled. No new matter is introduced by this Amendment. Claims 1 and 5-7 are pending in the application.

Claims 1 and 5-7 were rejected under the first paragraph of 35 USC § 112 as failing to comply with the written description requirement. Office Action, pages 2-3. Claims 1 and 5-7 were rejected under the first paragraph of 35 USC § 112 as exceeding the scope of the enabling disclosure. Office Action, pages 3-7. Applicants gratefully note that original dependent claim 4 – which limits the compounds that are encompassed by Formula (2) in the claimed process – was not rejected on either of these grounds. Accordingly, Applicants have substituted recitations from original claim 4 into claim 1, thereby leaving in this application only claims that were not rejected under the first paragraph of 35 USC § 112.

Claims 1, 4, 5, and 6 were rejected under 35 USC § 102 as being anticipated by WO 2004/013076 A1 (Boriack). Office Action, pages 7-8. Claim 7 was rejected under 35 USC § 103 as being unpatentable over Boriack. Office Action, pages 8-9. The cited reference discloses (only) a reaction of phenol, to make an aryl allyl ether. The present claims do not include phenol reactants. Applicants respectfully submit that the claims in their present form are neither anticipated by nor obvious from the Boriack disclosure.

If there are any questions concerning this application, the Examiner is invited to contact Richard Gallagher, Registration No. 28,781, at (703) 205-8008.

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If necessary, the Commissioner is hereby authorized in this, concurrent, and future replies, to charge payment or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 02-2448 for any additional fees required under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16 or 1.17; particularly, extension of time fees.

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